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UM.
MISSION
CONTROL?

WE'RE
GETTING SOME...
ALARMING
READINGS UP
HERE.



IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S
AN UNIDENTIFIED
OBJECT APPROACHING
EARTH'S ORBIT.

ARE
YOU SEEING
WHAT WE'RE
SEEING?



MISSION
CONTROL?

IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE! HOW
COULD WE MISS
SOMETHING THAT
SIZE?!

THE
PRESIDENT
WANTS TO
KNOW HOW
WE STOP
IT!

WE
DON'T! IT'S
A 1000-MILE
WIDE MEGA-
COMET!



MISSION
CONTROL? YOU
READING US
DOWN THERE?

OH
GOD, I
SEE IT.



AN INTERSTELLAR OBJECT THAT MASSIVE, PASSING THIS CLOSE...IT'LL TEAR THE MOON APART.

AND DEVASTATE THE ENTIRE EARTH.



THERE'LL BE TSUNAMIS TWO MILES HIGH. GEOSTORMS THE SIZE OF CONTINENTS.

CYCLONES OF FIRE STRETCHING FROM SEA TO SEA.

THIS IS IT. FOR ALL OF HUMANITY. JUST LIKE THE DINOSAURS.

THIS IS THE END.



I WISH... WE'D HAD MORE TIME TO...TO...



MILLIONS DIED IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE.



SWALLOWED BY THE BUCKLING CRUST OR PULVERIZED BY MOUNTAIN RANGES THAT BURST FROM THE GROUND WHERE CITIES USED TO BE.

WITHIN MINUTES, BILLIONS MORE DEAD WOULD FOLLOW.

SCORCHED OR DROWNED OR REDUCED TO A PUFF OF RED MIST BY THE DEVASTATING SHOCKWAVES.

THE EARTH BLEED FIRE FROM A TRILLION GAPING WOUNDS...

...ITS IONIZED SKIES TURNING BLACK, SCABBED WITH SOOT.

A TWILIGHT THAT WOULD LAST FOR CENTURIES.



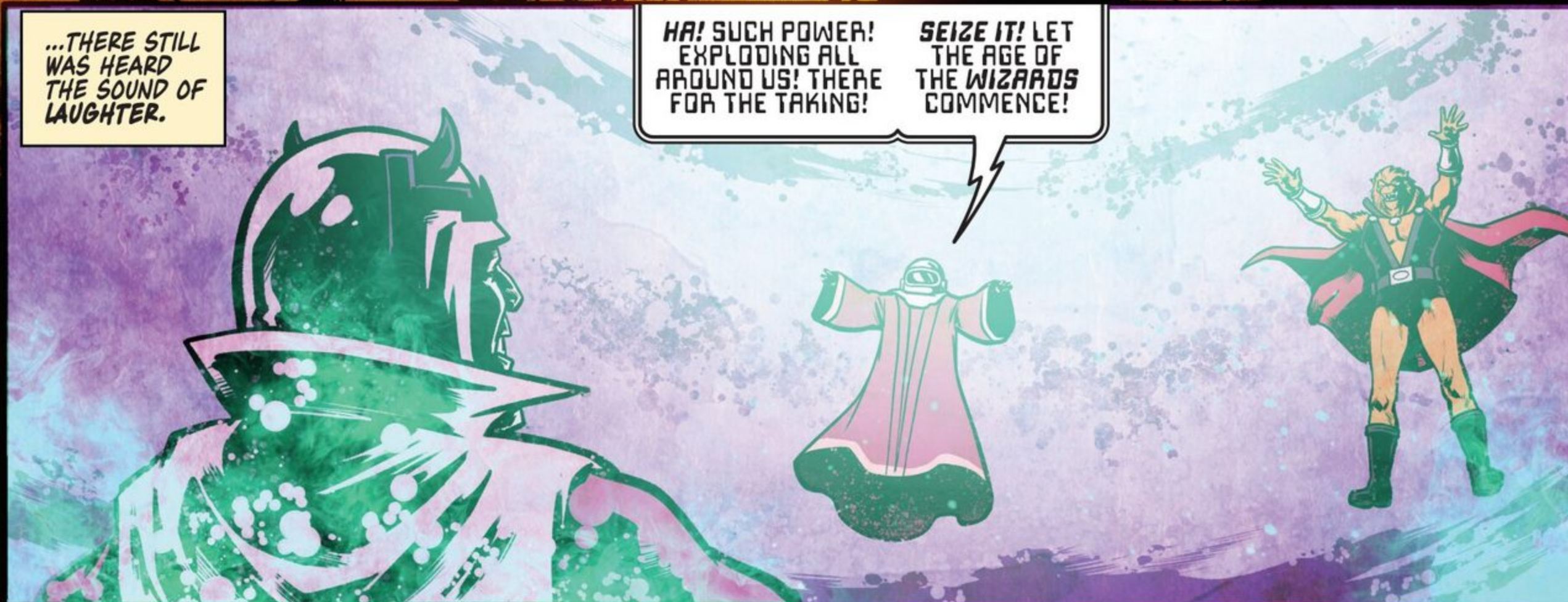
AND AS THE DIVIDED PEOPLES OF ALL THE WORLD AT LAST FOUND THEMSELVES UNITED...

...SCREAMING AS ONE...

...THERE STILL WAS HEARD THE SOUND OF LAUGHTER.

HA! SUCH POWER! EXPLODING ALL AROUND US! THERE FOR THE TAKING!

SEIZE IT! LET THE AGE OF THE WIZARDS COMMENCE!



ARIEL, WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

THIS IS THE CATAclysm THAT CHANGED THE WORLD FOREVER! THE WIZARDS ARE SYPHONING ITS ENERGIES!

WHATEVER SPELL THEY'RE CASTING, IT'S ONLY GOING TO MAKE THE DESTRUCTION EVEN WORSE!

THEN IT'S TIME TO DO WHAT SHOULD'VE BEEN DONE LONG AGO!



SHZZK

GAAARGH!

KILL ALL WIZARDS!

FOOL, DON'T YOU REALIZE WHERE YOU ARE? THIS IS THE ANCIENT LAB WHERE MIGHTY MINDOK WAS BORN!

HERE I REIGN SUPREME!

DRONES, DESTROY THE BARBARIAN AND ALL WHO STAND BY HIS SIDE!

DEMON DOGS!

THE WIZARDS ARE TOO POWERFUL. THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN DEFEAT THEM ALL AT ONCE.

HOW... HOW DO WE POSSIBLY...

"CONGRATULATIONS, CHILDREN! TODAY IS A GLORIOUS DAY FOR YOU ALL!"

ANOTHER TIME.

TODAY ONE OF
YOU WILL GAIN A
NEW STATION IN
LIFE.

AS THE
CHILD OF
SABIAN!

OR STEP-CHILD, AT
LEAST. IF ANY OF YOU
CAN PROVE YOURSELF
WORTHY OF SUCH
A TITLE.

ARE YOU WEAK, LITTLE
WRETCHES, DESTINED
TO SPEND YOUR LIVES
IN SLAVERY?

OR HAVE YOU
THE SPARK
WITHIN YOU...TO
BE SOMETHING
MORE? WE
SHALL SEE.

LET
THE TRIAL
BEGIN!

FROM
SORCERY, THIS
BEAST WAS BORN!
AND ONLY WITH
SORCERY CAN IT
BE DEFEATED!

SHOW
YOUR
WORTH!

**KILL THE
MONSTER
OR DIE LIKE
DOGS!**

NO!
STAY
BACK!



WELL DONE,
CHILD. WHAT
IS YOUR
NAME?

ARIEL.

CAN
I SEE MY
PARENTS
NOW?

OH, I'M QUITE
CERTAIN YOUR
PARENTS ARE
DEAD.



COME, ARIEL.
TOMORROW
ANOTHER TRIAL
AWAITS.

BUT WHAT
ABOUT...THE
OTHERS?



YOU SHOW THE
CAPACITY FOR
GREAT SORCERY,
ARIEL.

IF YOU
DO AS I SAY,
THEN SOMEDAY...
YOU COULD BE A
WIZARD, JUST
LIKE ME.



AND WIZARDS
DO NOT CONCERN
THEMSELVES WITH
RABBLE.

AAARRGGH!

HAAAAIIIRRGGH!

1994.

THE SPELL IS CLOSE TO FRUITION! BUT THERE REMAINS A MISSING COMPONENT!

WE NEED MORE WIZARDS TO FOCUS THE ENERGIES! THE COUNCIL MUST BE COMPLETE! WHERE THE DEVIL IS--

GAAGH!

ARIEL?!

IF YOU CAN SIPHON THE ENERGIES OF THIS COSMIC DISASTER, THEN SO CAN I!

BUT AS YOU SEEK TO EXTERMINATE THE HUMANS, I'LL USE YOUR OWN SORCERY...

...TO DESTROY ALL OF YOU!

HA! ONE FOOLISH GIRL WHO DABBLES IN CONJURING HOPES TO STAND ALONE AGAINST THE COUNCIL OF WIZARDS?!

YOUR FATHER SABIAN RAISED A FOOL!

NO! WHETHER I LIKE IT OR NOT...

...THROUGH BLOOD AND SUFFERING AND CRUELTY BEYOND BELIEF...



HE
RAISED A
WIZARD!!!

LORDS
OF LIGHT.

ARIEL?



TWO-THOUSAND YEARS LATER

A MOK,
HUH?

DON'T
REMEMBER
EVER KILLING
ONE OF YOU
BEFORE. THIS
WILL BE--



GVNNGH!!

AS THUNDARR'S BRAIN
SLAMMED AGAINST HIS
SKULL, SOMETHING
JARRED LOOSE INSIDE.

MEMORIES OF
HIS DREAMS.

HAUNTING NIGHTMARES OF
ADVENTURES. OF WIZARDS
AND FLAMING SWORDS.

HE SEEMED TO RECALL THEM
SOMEHOW INVOLVING A MOK.

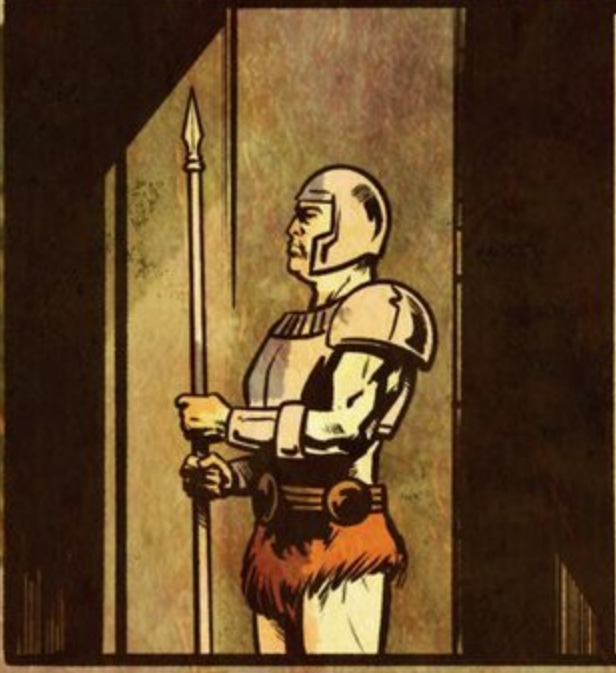




BUT THUNDARR ALWAYS WOKE BEFORE HE COULD SEE HOW THE ADVENTURE ENDED.

HHRH?

JUST BEFORE HE DIED.



THIS THUNDARR DID ENJOY A GOOD RUN. WHILE IT LASTED.

PERHAPS I'LL DISPLAY HIS HEAD IN FRONT OF THE ARENA.



HGGGHK!

DEATH TO SABIAN!



DEATH TO THE SLAVE MASTER!



KILL HIM! FIGHT LIKE WILD BEASTS!

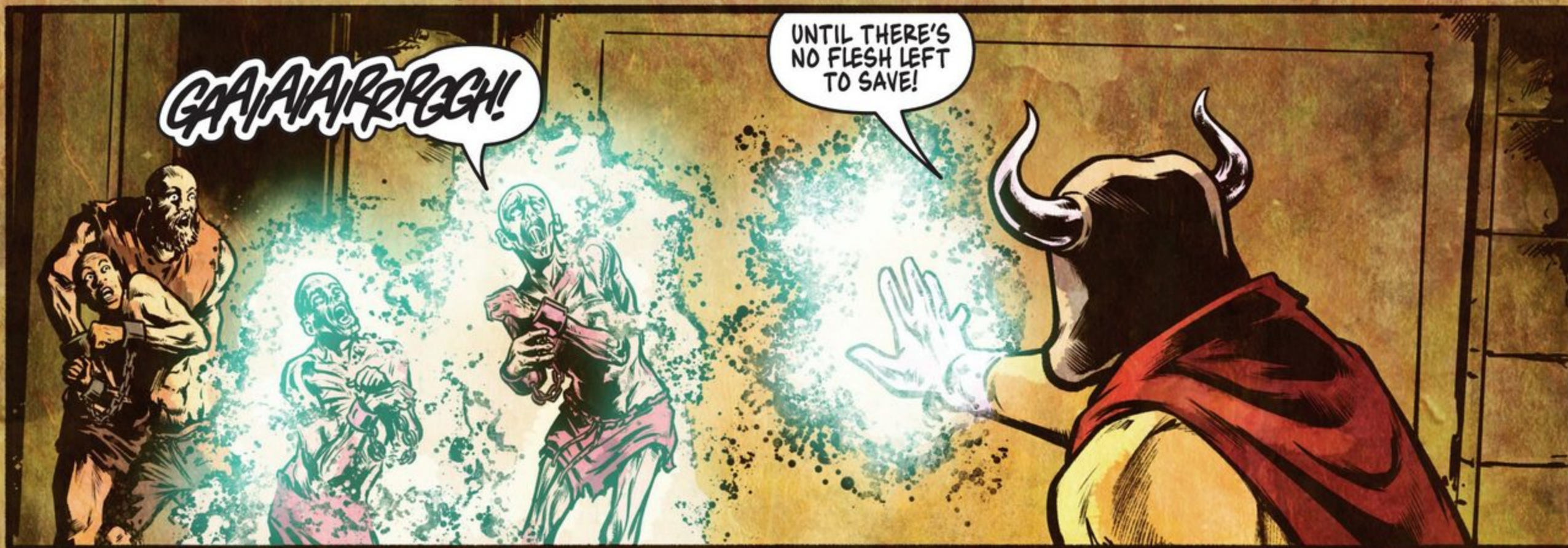


FIGHT LIKE THUNDARR!



DO YOU SEE, DAUGHTER? THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT I MEAN!

ALLOW HOPE TO FESTER AND IT SPREADS, LIKE ROT IN A LIMB!



GAAIAAIRRGH!

UNTIL THERE'S NO FLESH LEFT TO SAVE!



STAY BEHIND ME, ARIEL. I CAN HANDLE THESE ANIMALS.

ARIEL?



THUNDARR!

THUNDARR!



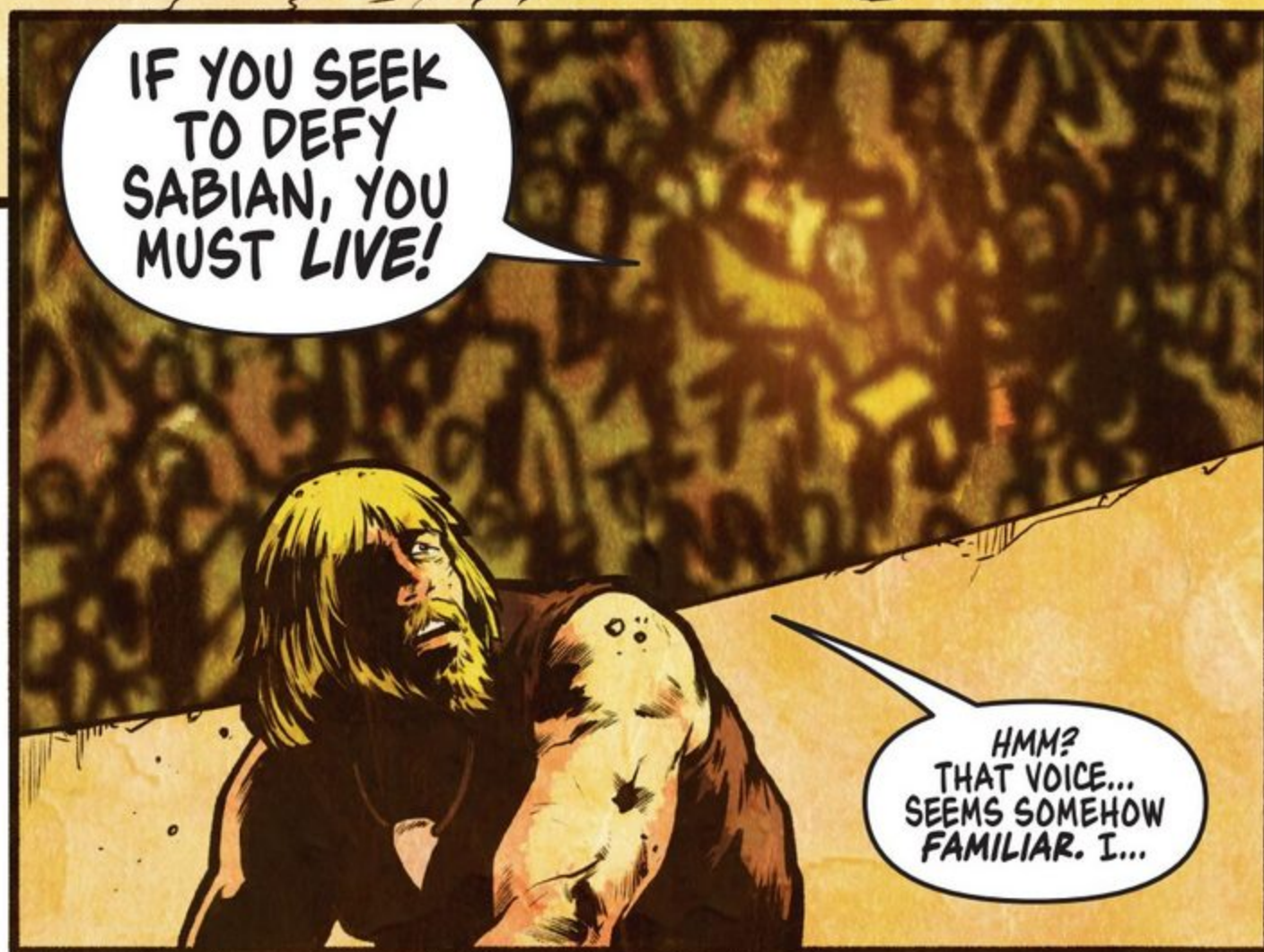
HRRRGH... THOUGHT MOKS... WERE SUPPOSED TO BE...FEARSOME.

GUESS... YOU'VE NEVER FOUGHT...A BARBARIAN BEFORE.



CHOMP

AAAACOWW!





"PUT ME
OUT OF MY
MISERY."

ARIEL!

WE HAVE TO
HELP HER,
OOKLA!



BEFORE
SHE LOSES
HERSELF TO THE
SORCERY!



HOW IS THIS
HAPPENING?!

SABIAN
NEVER TOLD US
SHE WAS THIS
POWERFUL!

MY FATHER
ONLY LEARNED
OF MY TRUE
POTENTIAL...

GAAAAAGH!!

...THE DAY
I STOOD
OVER HIS
CORPSE!



SUCH POWER.

THE POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD.



I COULD DO IT.

I COULD STOP THIS. END THE CATAclysm.

I HAVE THE POWER TO CHANGE TIME ITSELF. TO REVERSE THE DESTRUCTION.

I COULD SAVE MANKIND FROM RUIN.

BUT... CHANGING THE PAST WOULD MEAN...

...ERASING MY FUTURE. ERASING EVERYTHING I'VE EVER KNOWN.



AND EVERYONE.



I'M SORRY, THUNDARR. BUT I HAVE NO CHOICE.

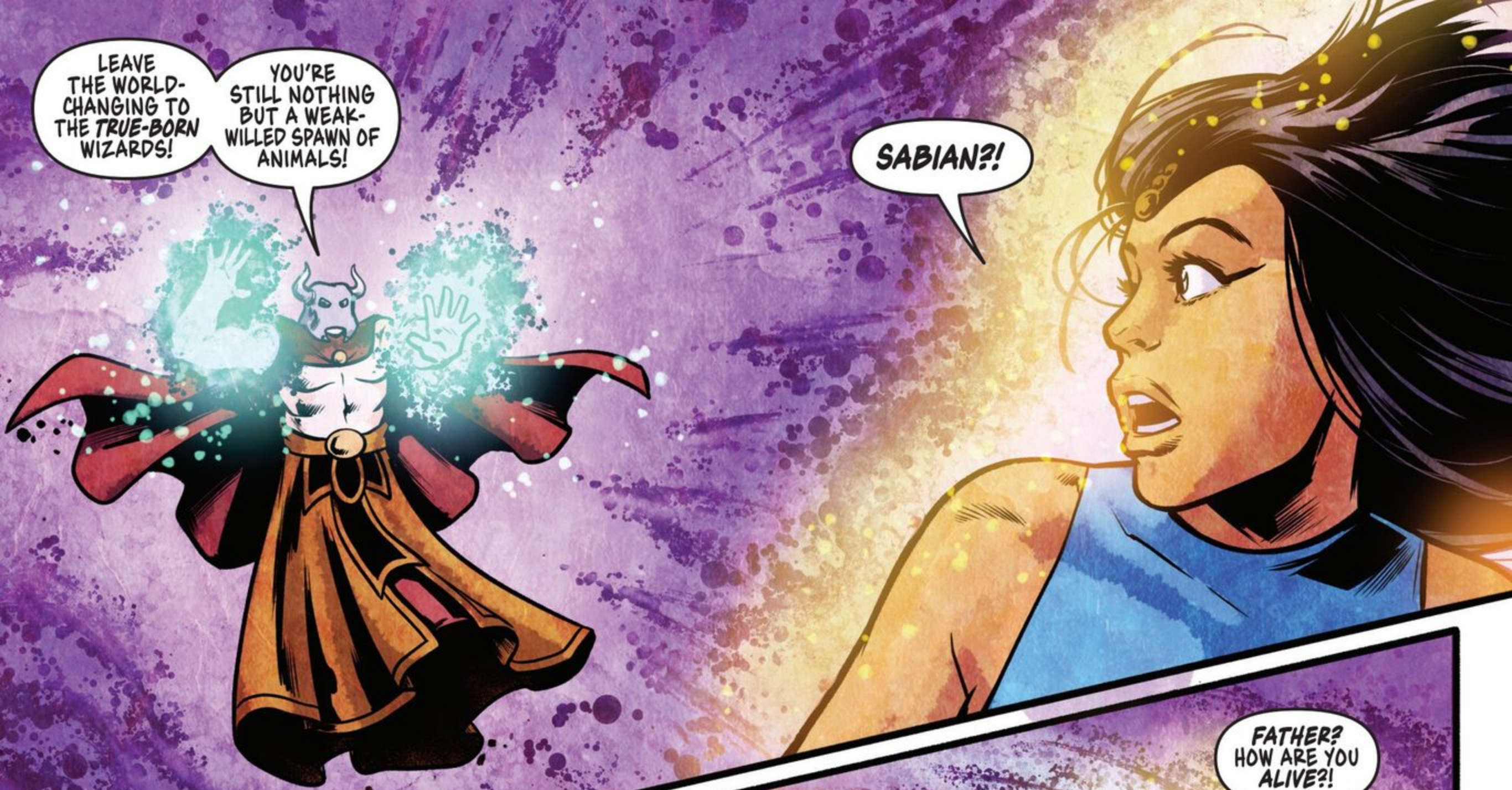
GOODBYE, MY FRIEND. GOODBYE, MY--

GHARRGH!



HEH. COME NOW, ARIEL. YOU'RE FOOLING YOURSELF.

YOU HAVEN'T THE STOMACH FOR THIS SORT OF BUSINESS, AND YOU KNOW IT.



LEAVE
THE WORLD-
CHANGING TO
THE TRUE-BORN
WIZARDS!

YOU'RE
STILL NOTHING
BUT A WEAK-
WILLED SPAWN OF
ANIMALS!

SABIAN?!



FATHER?
HOW ARE YOU
ALIVE?!

DID YOU
REALLY THINK YOU
COULD BE THE END
OF ME, GIRL? YOU
AND YOUR FOOL OF
A BARBARIAN.

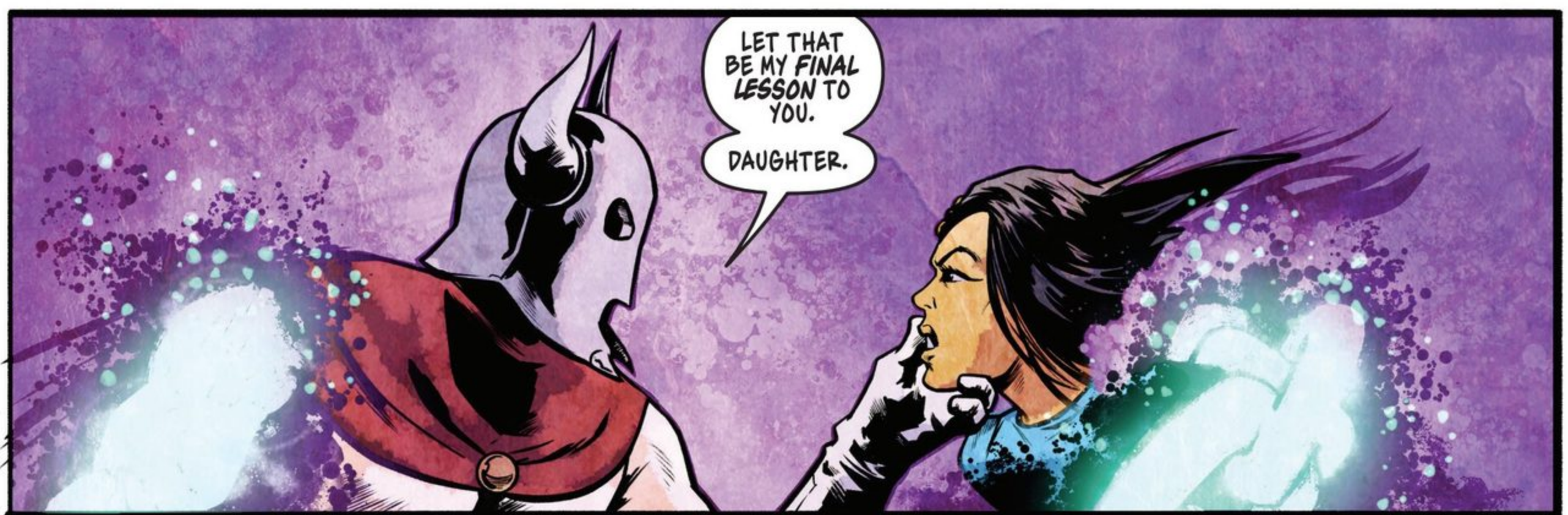
I AM
SABIAN, LORD
OF THE COUNCIL
OF WIZARDS!



I SHOULD'VE
KILLED YOU
WHEN YOU WERE
A BABE!

GNNGH!

BUT
IT'S NEVER
TOO LATE TO
CORRECT ONE'S
MISTAKES!



LET THAT
BE MY FINAL
LESSON TO
YOU.

DAUGHTER.

AAAAAIIIGGGH!



ARIEL!



FWAAASH



Nooo!











NEVERMIND INFERNUS!
SABIAN HAS ENOUGH
POWER FOR TWO
WIZARDS!

LET US
FINISH THE
SPELL!



IN THE NAME OF
THE SEVEN, LET THE
BLOOD OF THIS
WORLD BE OUR
OFFERING!

LET THE
FATE OF THE
HUMANS BE
SEALED!

RRRGH!



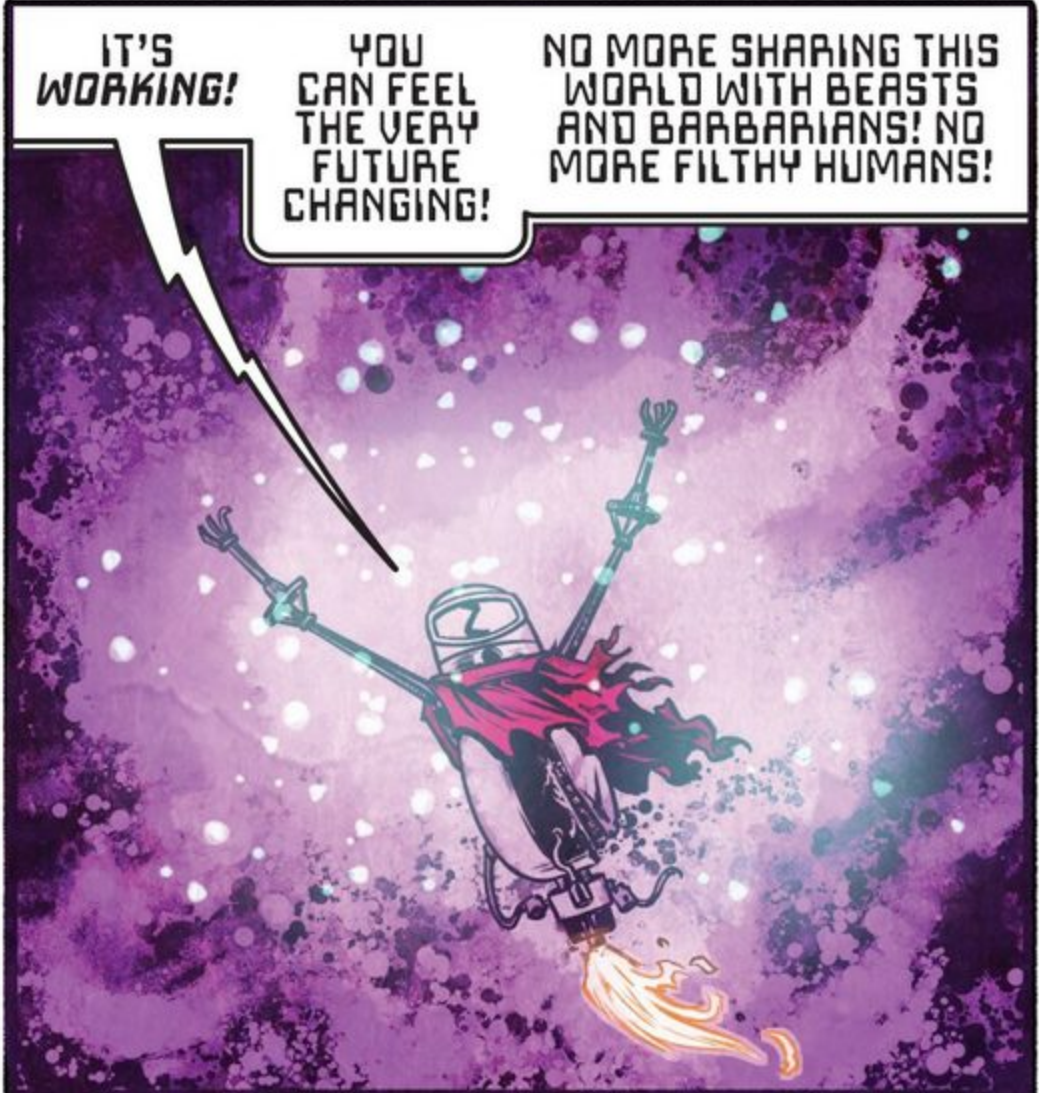
THEY'RE
PROTECTED BY A
SHIELD OF MAGIC!
WE HAVE TO BREAK
THROUGH!

DO
IT FOR
ARIEL!



DO IT
FOR...

WHAT THE
DEVIL?



IT'S
WORKING!

YOU
CAN FEEL
THE VERY
FUTURE
CHANGING!

NO MORE SHARING THIS
WORLD WITH BEASTS
AND BARBARIANS! NO
MORE FILTHY HUMANS!

**NO MORE
THUNDARR!**

**NEXT:
THE RISE OF THE
SUNSWORD!**



NEXT ISSUE

SECRETS OF THE SUNSWORD REVEALED!

It's one of Thundarr's greatest assets in his fight against the world's would-be oppressors - but where did the Sunsword originally come? How was it forged? And how did the history of this remarkable weapon become so inextricably linked to the fates of Thundarr, Ookla, and Princess Ariel?

The answers to these questions and more await in the pages of Thundarr the Barbarian #4 - all painstakingly researched and rendered by future historians JASON AARON and KEWBER BAAL, and supported by corroborating covers from MICHAEL CHO, FRANCESCO MATTINA, BJORN BARENDS, and JOSEPH MICHAEL LINSNER!

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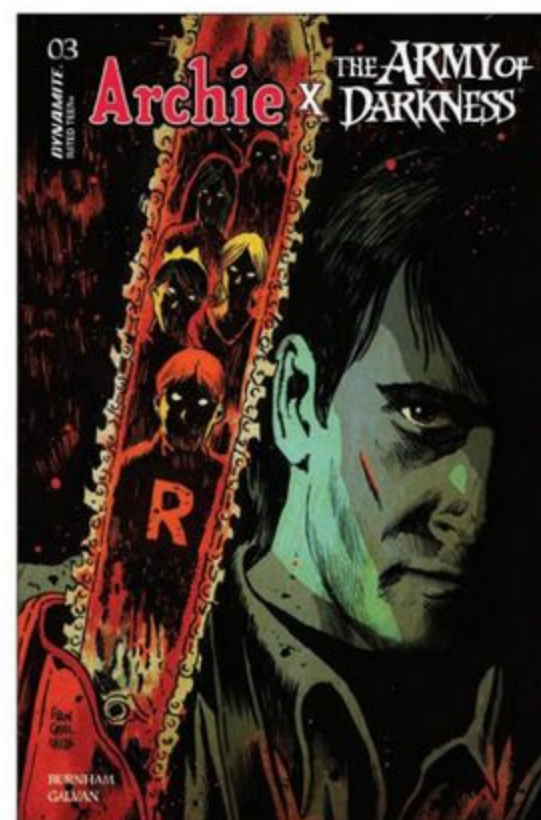
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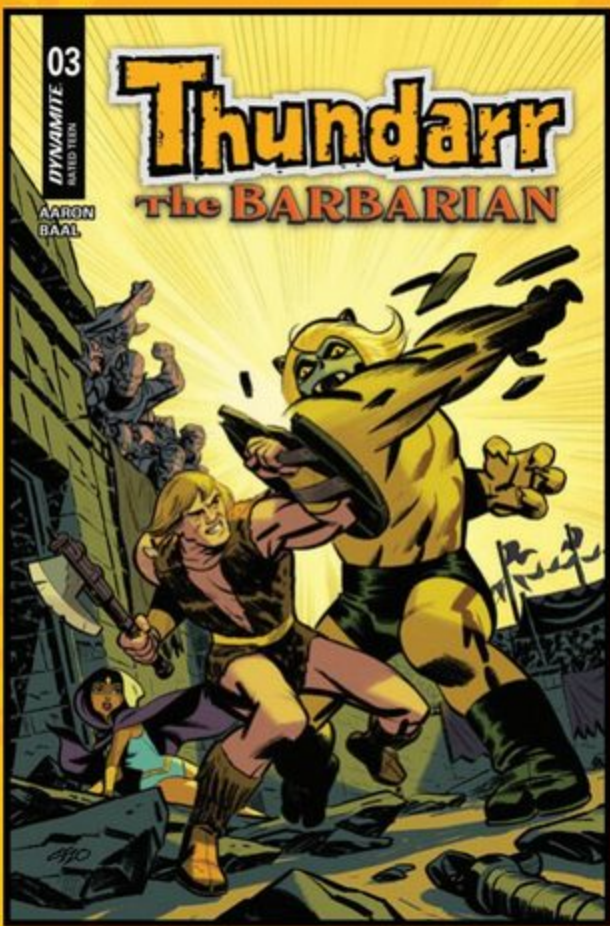
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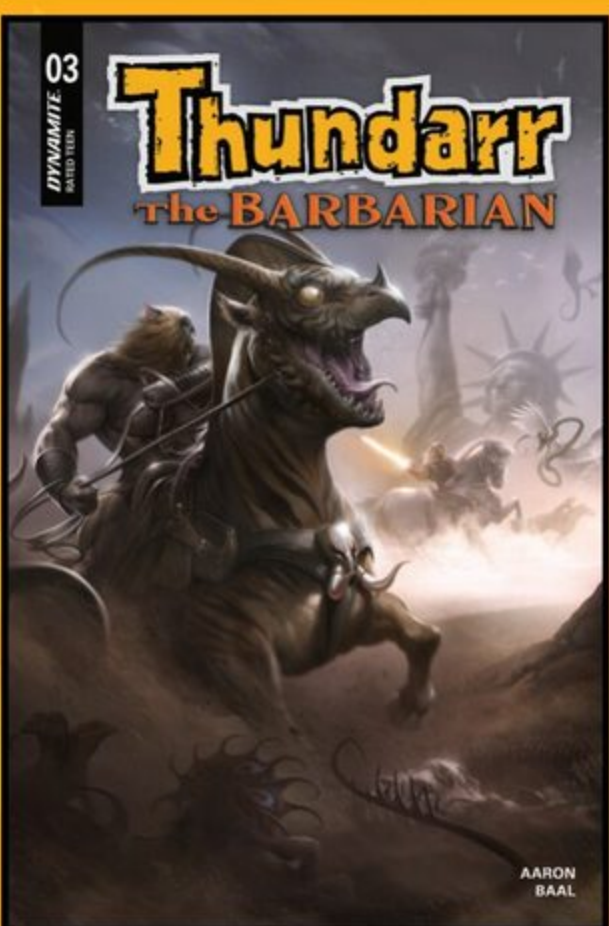


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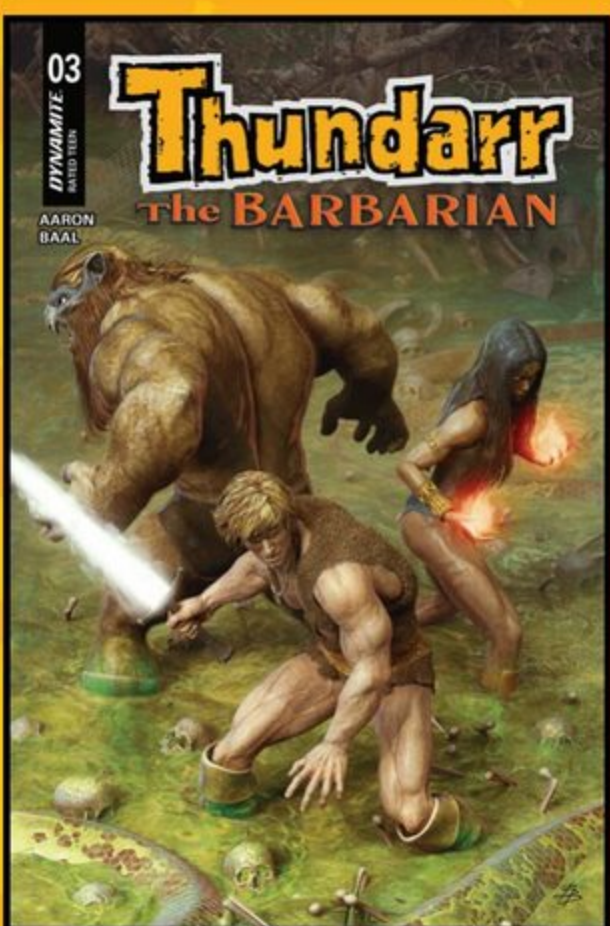
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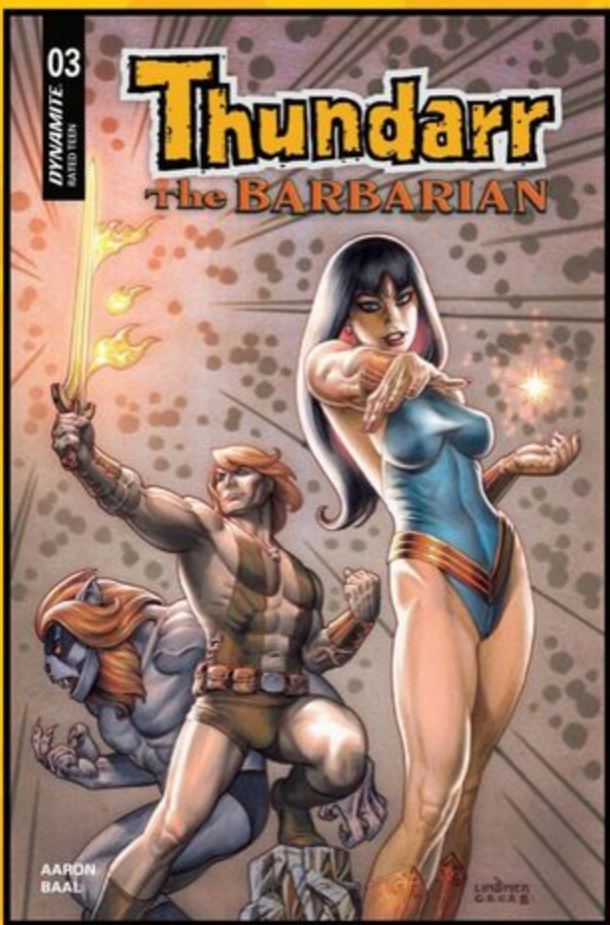
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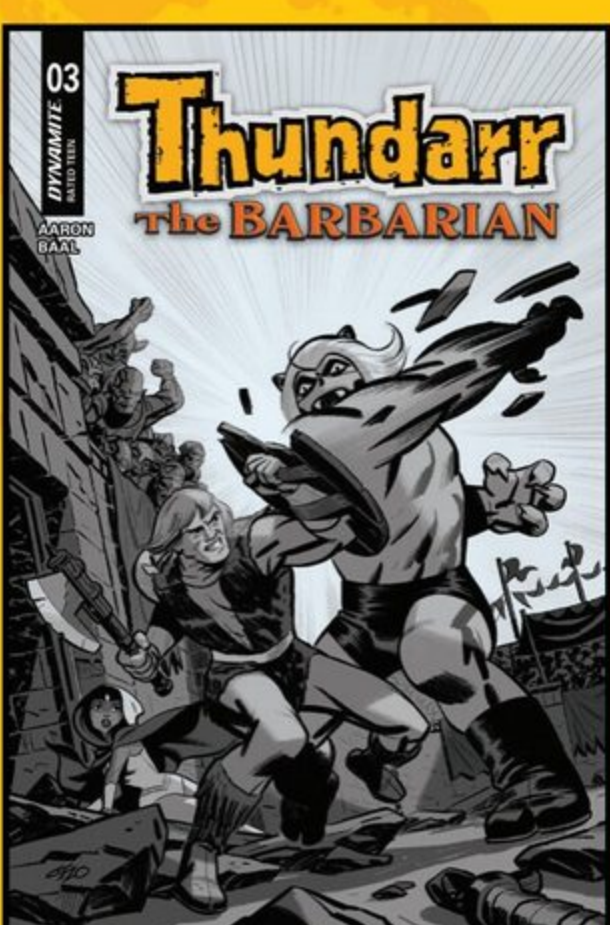
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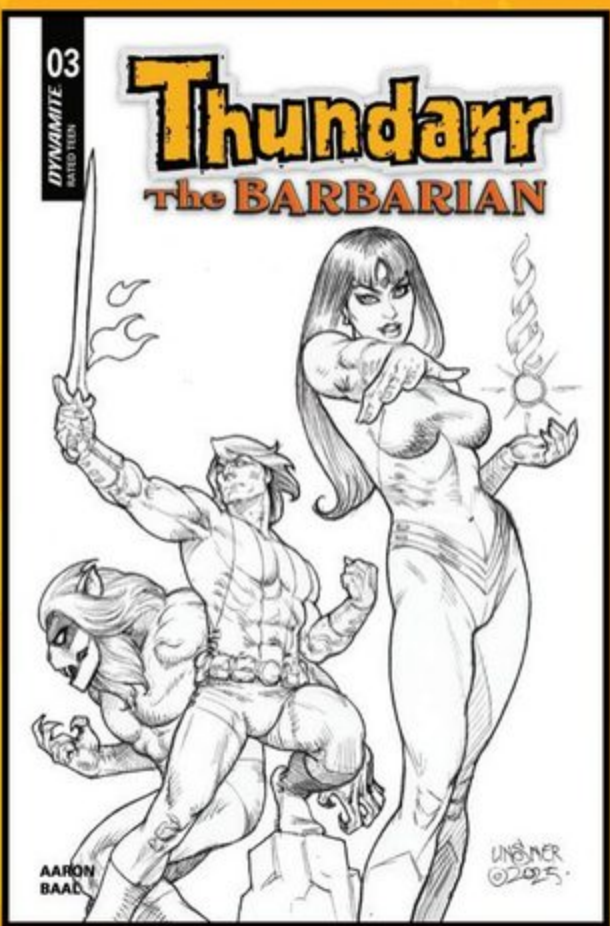
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